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The Southern California DX Club Newsletter est. 1947

*"If you need him get
in there and work
him"*

The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

The SCDXC strongly supports the DX Code of Conduct. Please visit their website:

www.dx-code.org

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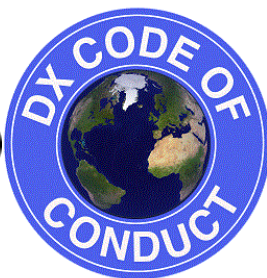
Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at:

<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

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Next Meeting

SEE YOU IN VISALIA!!!!

Steve Shane, W6NRQ

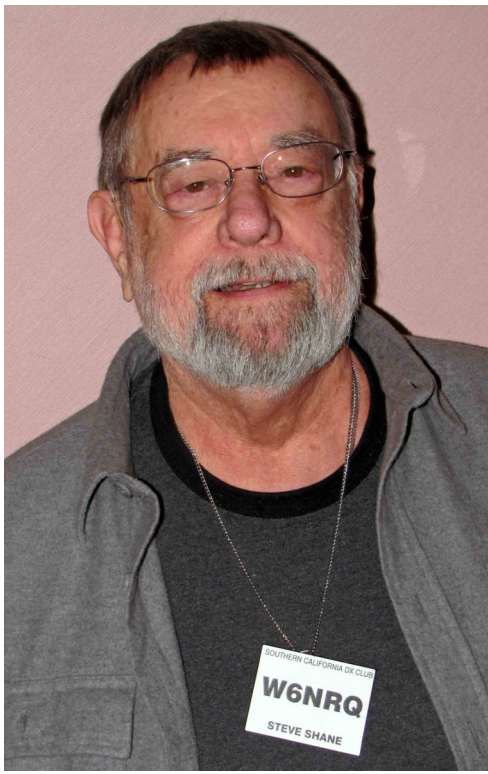
706T Video!

3B7C Video!

North Korea Update!

M² Open House Report

Making friends all over the world using the magic of Amateur Radio.
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STEVE SHANE, W6NRQ

Steve Shane, W6NRQ, SK
An appreciation by Dave Bell, W6AQ

A few years ago, when nobody in the SCDXC would take over the editor's job of the BULLETin, I said I'd do the editorial part if somebody else would take over assembling the various submissions into some kind of meaningful order. Steve Shane volunteered. I really didn't know Steve at all well at that time, but got to know him and appreciate him as our collaboration continued over a longer time frame than either of us had in mind. Steve made my job less of a job and more fun, which I greatly appreciated. Steve was one of the good guys. I will miss him.

Thoughts on Steve **Bill, N6RV**

Steve was the BULLETin editor when I took over. I absolutely understand Dave's comment about length of service. Steve also served as club secretary up until two years ago. Many of us did not realize how seriously ill he was when he stepped down. He actually had a very positive disposition and mentioned he enjoyed working with the board and will miss it. Steve was on the repeater frequently and often we would talk both there and on the phone. Still I missed all the hints. One board member mentioned he will not be with us much longer and still I did not understand the gravity of the situation.

At his service the pastor mentioned that Steve commuted every Sunday from Hemet to Torrance to attend the Sunday service at St. Mathew Antiochian Orthodox Church. Furthermore Steve was involved in singing and music. He also was instrumental in establishing a group in Hemet. How little we know about each other! Regardless of our ignorance Steve's character shone through. He was an encouragement when I started working on the board and he never stopped. He worked tirelessly in whatever way possible to keep things going. It was a pleasure to know him and the advice he shared was invaluable. ... -.-



THE PREZ SEZ

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Hello DXers!

There will be no meeting in April. I want to see each one of you in Visalia at the convention April 19, 20, 21. A good time will be had for all. Time to take a few days off and enjoy.

There is still good DX on the bands even with the low sun spots. An A Index of 50 and K of 7 is usually not good for DX however many stations have been very active like 9M4SLL on Spratly, H40T on Temotu, 5B/RZ3DZ Cyprus on 30 CW, T2GM on Tuvalu, H44G in the Solomon islands, and the other morning BU2AQ China on 80 CW.

Now we have XR0YG on Christmas Island. I can still work them with the beam acting as a dipole.

The program for March, Hong Kong Airport, given by Dennis Kidder, W6DQ, was excellent. I said to myself I know this guy. He is another Hughes Aircraft engineer. Thanks for the fine program.

See You at Visalia!!

73, and Good DXing!
Ernie Nairne, N6HY
President SCDXC



DX Club Meeting March 2013



New DXer Resources

New DXers Handbook

http://www.udxa.org/attachments/148_New_DXers_Handbook.pdf



Treasurer's Report

Club financial information is available on request. Contact the treasurer.

Officer Guidelines

The revised version of the Officers Guidelines is available on our website. See the hyperlink below.

Code of Conduct

SCDXC endorses the [DX Code of Conduct](#)



VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Wayne Spring, W6IRD,
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From the VP's Shack

March was the month of "March Madness," The Ides of March," good DXing, and my daughter's birthday. Everyone who attended the March meeting received a mini-flashlight.

The raffle prize table was abuzz with hopeful winners. After the meeting and greeting of friends, the meeting began.

Guest speaker for the night was Dennis Kidder, W6DQ. His presentation via slides was about his major role in the building of the new Hong Kong airport. It was astounding to see what all had to be done just to get started in the construction of the airport. Upon the completion and opening day, we saw how the Chinese handled a major electrical problem, and the planes still took off on time.

This year is moving along, and Visalia is getting closer and closer. Next month we all will be enjoying everything that this annual International convention provides. I hope to see all my friends from here and around the world.

The May meeting's guest speaker will be from JPL to speak on the "Mars Expedition." Plan on attending this meeting, you won't want to miss it. Our club previously had a speaker from JPL who spoke on the "Cassini Expedition." This one should be equally as interesting.

A reminder to all about our club's annual picnic/BBQ. Mark your calendars for the date of June 9th. The location will again be at Woodley Park, and the starting time is 11:00 a.m. There will be great food and super great prizes. The grand-prize board will be available starting at the May meeting. Bring lots of cash if you want to win.

**73, and Good DXing!
Wayne, Spring, W6IRD
Vice President SCDXC**

March Prize Drawing

K6YUI	Power Light
N6QQ	Shop Vacuum
KJ6HZ	Printer
NY6Y	23" Monitor
N6HY	3 pk / Flashlights
W6HB	Storage Unit
KD6HYN	2013 Handbook
KD6HYN	Coax Connectors
N6RV	Coax Connectors
KJ6YL	Web Cam
K5KT	Work Light
W6CCC	Screwdriver Set
K6QU	Fire Extinguisher
N6RRY	Club Shirt
N6QQ	Weather Station



HOLIDAY PARTY 2012

DXer of The Year

**Congratulations
Bob W6ZPL!**

Clipperton Award

**Congratulations
Kris KC6TOD!**

New Members

Please welcome new members:

**Clay Davis
AB9A**

**Carolyn Jacob
KE6BUH**

**Wild Bill Wiederhold
WB6BFG**

**Chip Angle
N6CA**

**Paul Carreiro
N6EV**

**Jim Curio
K16FGV**

**John Oppen
KJ6HZ**

**Jerry Carter
W6JAC**

**Jim Bridge
K7LA**

**Tom Ryan
N6NPG**

**Richard Somers
W6NSV**

**Jim Forsyth
AF6O**

**Jim Pope
KG0PP**

**Dan Domondon
WA6URY**

**N6RRY
Greg Martens**

**Margaret Angle
N6SNA**

**Ellen Utschig
N6UWW**

**Make sure you meet
and greet them at the
next meeting!**

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Editors Editorial
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Hello Everybody!

Well April is here and that means IDXC! We will be looking forward to seeing everyone again for another great event! This year the venue has changed. In part it is unsettling and in part there are some neat features. For example I went to look for rooms for a friend on-line and there was availability at the Marriott right next to the convention center. Oddly enough there were no more rooms at the Holiday Inn. I believe many SCDXC members are staying there. The prizes this year are substantial. A complete Elecraft K-Line at the banquet and a Flex 6700 at the breakfast are the highlights. This will be interesting to see. Maybe it will turn out OK. Like anytime you change things there will be challenges. There are challenges at every convention. It is the nature of the beast.

I have to mention Steve, W6NRQ, in this column, even though we have a memorial page. Steve was the editor of the BULLetin for years and served on the board. It is fitting that his name should be at home on the editors page. We have lost a good friend and club co-laborer. The almost daily listing of Silent Keys in the Daily DX is a sad reminder that we are getting older and near the end of our journey. This should be motivation to treat one another with consideration and respect. It may be our last QSO!

Not much on the DX scene though I have been busy with other things this month. This weekend is the WPX SSB contest. For those who want to work DXCC in a few hours this is the contest to hit up!

See you at Visalia!

73,
Bill, N6RV
Editor, SCDXC
Past President of Southern California DX Club - 2012
Director SCDXC 2013 Board



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CONTESTS

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Hello DX Contesters!

There is not much in the way of contesting in April. I did find a good picture showing double peak on this sunspot cycle!

SP DX Contest CW/SSB -- April 6-7

For more info: http://www.spdxcontest.pzk.org.pl/reg/reg_g.html

JIDX CW Contest CW – April 13-14 (of course you need more JA's)

For more info: <http://www.jidx.org/jidxrule-e.html>

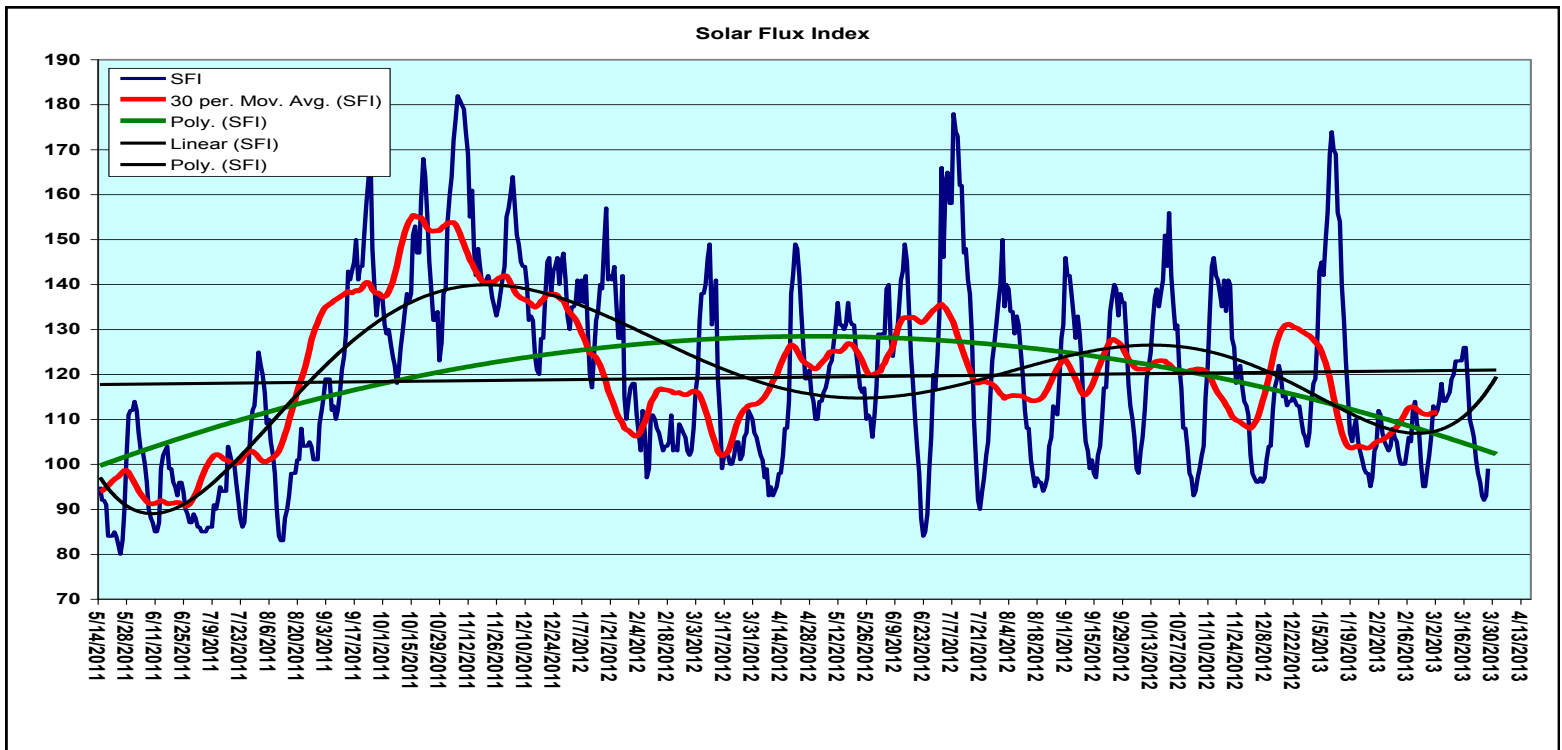
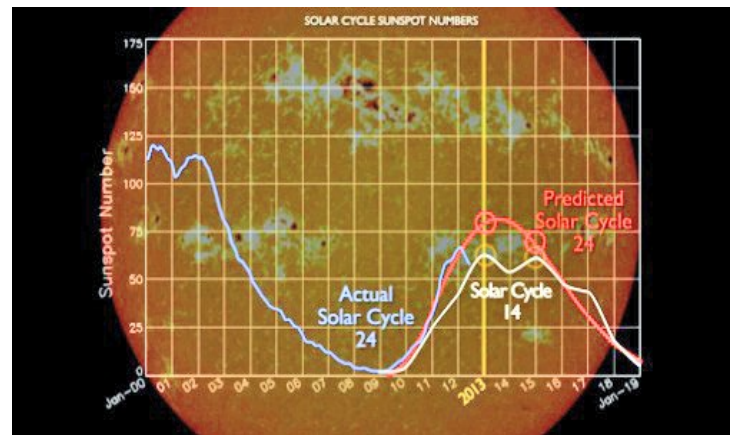
SP DX RTTY Contest – April 27-28

For more info: <http://www.pkrvg.org/zbior.html>

10-10 International Sprint Contest Digital – Apr 27-28

PSK on 28.120 MHz and RTTY 28,080 – 28.100

73, John, N6QQ
ARRL and CQ Awards QSL Checker
Past President SCDXC - 2011
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<http://www.qrz.com/db/N6QQ>



DX ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Celebrate the Successes of Our Fellow Members!

A whole bunch of members submitted updates for the standings. Here is the list. How about you?

Welcome to Greg Martens, N6RRY, one of our new members. Greg is punching out DXCC on several bands. It is always good to see someone enthusiastic about chasing rare ones! Keep up the good work!

<u>Call</u>	<u>DXCC</u>	<u>WAZ</u>
N6QQ	350/334	325/186
W6ENZ	347/338	306/196
K6UNR	341/337	
K6DJ	274/272	
N6HE	185/192	
WB6PJC	111/111	
N6RRY	60/60	74/64

SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings (N6RV)

The first WAZ column is the confirmed zone count on 10 bands 160 - 6 (less 60 meters). The second column is the regular 5BWAZ confirmed count. The following are the codes that follow the two columns and indicate the awards:

M	Mixed
P	Phone
C	CW
R	RTTY
5	5 Band

The first DXCC column is the confirmed entity count with deleted countries. The second column is the confirmed current entity count.

If you have any information to post please go to the on-line webform and update your standing:

<http://www.scdxc.org/dx-update.html>

WAZ STANDINGS

	<u>10B / 5B</u>	<u>Awards</u>
K6ND	378 / 200	M/5
W6SR	369 / 200	M/P/C//5
K6FG	363 / 197	M/P/C/R/5
WA5VGI	357 / 200	M/P/C/5
W8DX	357 / 200	M/5
EU7SA	357 / 200	M/5
N6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
K6YRA	337 / 200	P/5
K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
N6OU	220 / 200	M/5
K6UNR	/ 200	M/P/5
W6VX	352 / 199	
NS6C	198 / 198	
K6GXO	358 / 198	M
SM5GMZ	345 / 196	M/P/C
W6ENZ	306 / 196	
N6MXU	155 / 193	
K2PLF	191 / 191	
N6RV	302 / 187	M/P/C
KC6X	294 / 187	M/P/C/5
N6QQ	325 / 186	M/P/C/R
K6LD	314 / 186	M/P/C
W6YOO	308 / 185	M/P/C/5
KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
K0OK	286 / 173	
K6SY	246 / 173	P
W6ZPL	237 / 173	M/P
KJ6Y	261 / 172	
KR6C	295 / 171	M/C
AD6KQ	226 / 164	
N6DHZ	214 / 160	P
K6KII	191 / 177	M
KH6MB	181 / 174	
W6DR	227 / 159	
NK6A	152 / 152	M/5
W6NRQ	180 / 147	M/P
WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
W6IRD	151 / 111	M/P
W5DQ	161 / 122	
K6IRD	154 / 126	M/P
WB6PSY	139 / 140	P
KT6LA	132 / 103	
N6HE	130 / 138	
W3SE	102 / 112	
K6IRA	118 / 102	
K6VC	96 / 96	P
W6EA	92 / 86	
N6UC	78 / 78	M
KA6TTV	82 / 67	
N6VNI	86 / 64	
N6RRY	74 / 64	
N6GIL	49 / 43	
W6DCK	40 / 40	P
K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
K6YR	39 / 39	
W6DOE	37 / 37	
NZ6L	36 / 36	
W4EF	29 /	
N6AWD		M
N6HC		M/P/C
KB6KTV		P
W6OES		M
K8RD		C

DXCC STANDINGS

	<u>TOT / CUR</u>
K6KII	387 / 348
JA1BK	377 / 338
K6YRA	376 / 348
K6EXO	370 / 338
K6YUI	365 / 348
N6UC	367 / 340
K6IPV	362 / 348
NS6C	360 / 348
W6HT	358 / 338
W6SR	358 / 348
W6WZO	357 / 348
K8RD	356 / 348
K6KT	355 / 348
N6AW	355 / 337
K6FG	355 / 348
K6GXO	355 / 348
K2PLF	354 / 340
N6RV	354 / 338
W8DX	353 / 340
W6IRD	352 / 336
W6OES	351 / 334
W6AUJ	350 / 348
N6QQ	350 / 334
W6YOO	349 / 348
KC6X	349 / 340
W6KK	348 / 348
W6VX	348 / 348
WA5VGI	348 / 348
N6AWD	348 / 338
WB6PSY	348 / 337
K6ND	347 / 348
W6OM	347 / 337
W6ENZ	347 / 338
N6HC	345 / 337
K6LD	344 / 338
EU7SA	343 / 336
W6DCK	342 / 336
KR6C	341 / 339
KB6KTV	340 / 335
N6MG	339 / 331
N6OU	338 / 330
SM5GMZ	337 / 329
N6HY	333 / 329
K6UNR	333 / 332
K2IXQ	333 / 329
AD6KQ	328 / 328
KM6HB	332 / 327
KJ6Y	327 / 323
W6FL	318 / 305
W6ZPL	317 / 317
K6SY	312 / 310
K0OK	306 / 304
W6HB	303 / 295
N6MXU	301 / 297
N6GP	299 / 294
WD6L	295 / 295
K6JW	295 / 290
NK6A	295 / 270
N6DHZ	288 / 284
K6IRA	286 / 286
W6NRQ	285 / 281
W6DR	282 / 278
K6DJ	274 / 272
K7MY	272 / 270
N7CQQ	268 / 266
K6VC	267 / 264
K6IRD	260 / 250
N6WIN	258 / 253
KT6LA	248 / 246
K6YR	244 / 244
W3SE	240 / 237
K6HCJ	235 / 235
W5DQ	225 / 220
N6VNI	223 / 223
KN6VF	223 / 223
ZL3TE	222 / 220
W6DOE	205 / 203
K6LX	204 / 204
WA6BOB	202 / 198
W6VWV	194 / 192
N6HE	192 / 185
N6RI	189 / 180
W6EA	152 / 152
KA6TTV	149 / 149
K6OGO	142 / 142
W4EF	132 / 132
WA6NOL	127 / 130
N6CA	131 / 131*
WB6PJC	111 / 111
N6RRY	60 / 60
NZ6L	27 / 27

RUMORS ON THE BAND

A plethora of announcements, rumors, and serious DX fun

April is a happening month! It marks the beginning of the 6 meters season! Also Spring has sprung and DXers are heading out all over the world for some fun and relaxation.

The big DX this month is [Seychelles](#), [Cocos Keeling](#), [Maldives](#), [Tunisia](#) & [Tokelau](#). If you need any of these then go work them!

If you have not seen it yet Paul, N6PSE and David WD5COV have produced a video of the 706T Dxpediton. You can see the HD version here:

<http://vimeo.com/61384528>

and the standard version here:

<http://www.intrepid-dx.com/>

Blue Information indicate particularly rare entities and **Red information** indicate SCDXC member attended DXpediton. As always you have to turn on your radio to

Useful DX Sites

[The Daily DX](#)

www.dailydx.com/

[Announced DX Ops](#)

www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html

[DX Coffee](#)

<http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/>

[DXing.info](#)

www.dxing.info/dxpeditons/

[DX 425 News](#)

www.425dxn.org/dxped/

[Dx-info.de](#)

www.dx-info.de

[DX Italia DX News](#)

www.marioi2mqp.it

[DH9SB Weekly DX Calendar](#)

<http://www.dx-info.de>

[N0HR DXpediton Map](#)

www.n0hr.com/wk34/

[The DX Zone](#)

www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

Call	QTH	Start Date	End Date	Information	Website
T2	Tuvalu	Now	4/2/2013	NL8F	-
TO7BC	Mayotte	Now	4/12/2013	DL7BC	-
A3EAQ	Tonga	Now	4/16/2013	SP5EAQ, 80 - 10M, SSB	http://sp5drh.com/a3eaq/
VK9C/GM2MP	Cocos Keeling	Now	4/13/2013	GM3WOJ GM4YXI, SSB CW, some RTTY	-
V63XG	Micronesia	4/3/2013	4/11/2013	JA1XGI 160 - 6M CW mostly plus SSB RTTY	http://island.geocities.jp/v63xg/index.htm
S79VJG	Seychelles	4/4/2013	4/16/2013	G0VJG 160 - 10M, CW SSB RTTY	-
5W0M	Samoa	4/4/2013	4/18/2013	German Team, 80 - 60M 2M EME & 60M CW SSB RTTY	http://5w0m.hkman.de/
FR/F5MNW	Reunion	4/6/2013	4/29/2013	F5MNW 160 - 10M CW mostly	-
5H3MB	Tanzania	4/7/2013	5/8/2013	IK2GZU, 160 - 10M in his spare time	http://www.buffoli-pm.it/5h/Tanzania%202011.htm
PJ4/SP9FIH	Bonaire	4/8/2013	4/20/2013	Also SP6AXW as PJ4/ SP6AXW 160 - 6M CW SSB	http://www.pj4-dxpediton.com/
VK9LT	Lord Howe	4/10/2013	4/15/2013	W6NV	-
V63DX	Micronesia	4/15/2013	4/20/2013	JA7HMZ as V63DX & JA7GYB as V63T	-
5H1DX	Tanzania	4/20/2013	4/28/2013	DF8DX	-
JD1BMH	Ogasawara	4/22/2013	5/4/2013	JG1PSJ 80 - 10M CW SSB RTTY	http://jd1bmh.zxq.net/
8Q7KP	Maldives	4/23/2013	4/30/2013	VU2PAI & W4VKU 160 - 10M	-
ZK3N	Tokelau	4/25/2013	5/8/2013	DL6JGN & DL2AWG 80 - 10M CW SSB RTTY	-
TS8IT	Tunisia	4/27/2013	5/4/2013	K7JWX IK2DUW IW2NLC IS0AGY IK2PGM I8LWL IK8GQY IK6CAC IV3FSG IT9SSI160 - 6M SSB PSK31 RTTY CW	-
JD1BLY	Ogasawara	4/28/2013	5/4/2013	J15RPT 40-10m CW SSB PSK31 RTTY	http://www.j15rpt.com/jd1/
JD1BLC	Ogasawara	4/28/2013	5/5/2013	JE2EHP JF1BVG JP1IOF as JD1BLC and JD1YBT, 160 - 6M CW SSB RTTY PSK31	-
V63H	Micronesia	4/29/2013	5/5/2013	JH3QFL as V6H and JH3AZC as V6S 80 - 6M, SSB CW RTTY JT65	-
TS8TI	Tunisia	4/29/2013	5/6/2013	I8LWL IK2DUW IK6JRI IK8GQY IK8TEM IS0AGY IW2NLC KF5EYY 3V8ESG 3V8SA 3V8SF 3V8ST	http://www.mdx.org/ts8ti/

P5 NORTH KOREA ACTIVATION UPDATE

This is a new supplement to my initial P5 "CW ONLY" and IOTA AS-197 Activation Project Proposal general information prior to INFO UPDATE #1. If you have not read the general information page and/or INFO UPDATE #1 (<http://www.k6vva.com/p5/p5infoupdate1.pdf>), please do so before continuing.

Unfortunately due to Net Criminal activities, the p5changeme and p5deleteme email addresses provided in INFO UPDATE #1 have been disabled. There are also several Psychopathic Deviants who are attempting to thwart this P5 Project in various ways.

Now into a year #7 of seeking permission from the D.P.R.K. authorities, one thing I have learned is "patience". A "No" today does not necessarily mean "No" forever !!!

The new very creative and unique win-win proposal was submitted last July to D.P.R.K. officials (my NGO has ongoing communications with), shortly after the survey results reached 90% of the "Threshold" amount which I personally set. While continuing to assemble various supplemental materials, we anticipated a possible initial "QRX" response. My NGO contact was scheduled to go to the D.P.R.K. in September to monitor the distribution of medicines to various rural hospitals. The plan was for him to also hand-carry the full proposal supplements and to discuss things in-person with his longstanding official contact in Pyongyang before returning to the U.S.

Due to various delays, his trip did not take place until late November, and the official was unfortunately out of the country at the time (an opportunity to learn even more patience). The materials have been routed by other means, and we were hoping for the previously anticipated discussions to take place after the first of the year. Due to the uniqueness of the proposal, there will be multiple D.P.R.K. Governmental approvals required. But the scope of the extremely win-win nature of the proposal to all parties justifies the additional administrative burden and work which my NGO contact is fortunately willing to do.

The proposal is for multiple operators and stations for a longer time frame than the "worst case scenario" previously outlined (which would be just myself for a period of 4 days). I am fully prepared and always packed ready-to-go if the latter is all that can be approved. As previously set forth, I am also aware of several groups seeking approval from D.P.R.K. authorities for a P5 DX-Pedition. But it could also take 3 to 5 years (or maybe another 7 years) for any of us to obtain approval, due to all of the factors involved. It is what it is.

Recent "circumstances" in P5 during the last several months have made this Project even more challenging, for obvious reasons. Yet a new alternative route to potential success has also materialized, and I decided to unleash the full "long term" plan, which has been to activate ALL of the four P5 IOTA Designators (AS-195, AS-196, AS-197 and AS-198).

Regardless of what operating venue might result when approval is obtained, I think we all realize any P5 QRV - especially on CW ONLY - will result in "The Mother of all Pileups". Reiterating that Amateur Radio is (supposed to be) about "International Goodwill and Friendship", over the past several years I have been appalled at the pileup operating behaviors by many which are completely the

opposite of "International Goodwill and Friendship". And this "Anti-Social Behavior" continues even today worse than ever. Especially, all the profanity being spewed forth on a DXpedition's operating QRG.

IMHO, a good Doctoral Thesis Project for a major University Psychiatric Department student would be: A Psychiatric Anatomy of DX Pileup Participants.

Fortunately, over the past 18 months, I have been privileged to be part of a very small discussion group with N7NG and G3SXW, (Founders of DX UNIVERSITY), ON4UN and ON4WW (Authors of Ethics and Operating Procedures for the Radio Amateur), W6SJ (Action Promoter of both The DX CODE of CONDUCT for DX Chasers, and The DX CODE of CONDUCT for DXpeditioners), ST2AR (S53R) and several others - all with considerable DXpedition and/or DX QTH operating experience.

We have spent considerable time in analyzing and discussing the observed cause and effect relationship between the operating "styles" (and errors) of many Major DXpedition operators, which always result in the same predictable anti-social behaviors and chaos occurring in all pileups. We also utilized on-air recordings as the basis of our many discussions, to include formulating more effective DXpedition operating techniques to substantially mitigate much of the resulting pileup caller "Anti-Social" behavior.

Each of my last two IOTA Expedition trips have been to also "test" some of the theories and new strategies, which after review, have undergone a few additional refinements. I plan to produce a web viewable video soon, summarizing my perspective of the reality of things, which will also be the basis for any P5 operations and "Pileup Management".

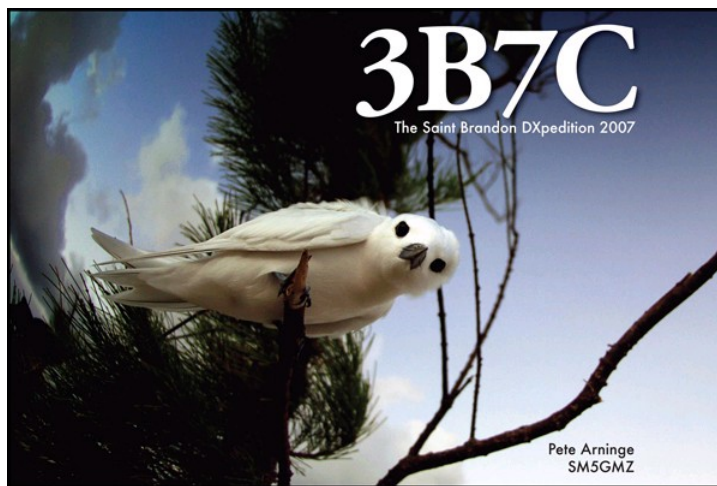
For DX Chasers *AND* DXpeditioners not familiar with DX UNIVERSITY, I encourage you to visit: <http://www.dxuniversity.com>. You can find the DX CODE of CONDUCT (For DX Chasers) and DX CODE of Conduct (For DXpeditioners) at: <http://www.dx-code.org>.

Regarding any future P5 operations, I have not yet made a final decision about whether or not to implement my growing "Blacklist" of the repeat offender "Anti-Social Pileup Bullies" I continually observe in every pileup on the bands these days. They are easy to spot if one listens to the DXpedition operator *and* inside the Pileup at the same time.

An additional INFO UPDATE may be forthcoming when and if deemed appropriate.

73

Rick, K6VVA * The Locust



IN APRIL 2013, Pete - SM5GMZ - releases another photo book. This time it's about the DX-pedition to Saint Brandon in 2007, where Pete was one of the 20 operators who together managed to work 137, 500 QSOs during an absolute sunspot minimum.

The book consists of a large number of images, all in full color. In texts, Pete describes how it is to be on an uninhabited atoll in the middle of the southern Indian Ocean, where nothing but amateur radio and satellite phones work. He also tries to explain the joy of endless multi-layer pile-ups and describes the enormous planning that comes with a DX-pedition of this magnitude.

The book is photographed in the "documentary tradition", as Pete normally works as a professional photojournalist. This means that many of the pictures show the people involved in a somewhat different angle than many of you are used to from ham radio magazines.

Pete and the publisher, Publicera Publishing Ltd, have decided to donate 10% of the sales of this photo book to ARRL's youth activities and another 10% of the proceeds to Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA), which since 1998 has been the moving force behind a number of extremely successful DX-peditions. Finally, Pete and the publisher will also donate 10% of the sales to the German High Speed Club, as one of the youngest operators from the 3B7C adventure, Jens – DL7AKC, became a Silent Key in 2011. Jens was an excellent representative for our fascinating hobby and an outstanding CW-operator.

TECHNICAL FACTS

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Approx 90 pages | Large number of colour pictures

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M2 Antenna Systems' 15th Annual Open House and BBQ

On Saturday the 16th of March, a fantastic open house was held at the M2 Antenna Systems in Fresno, California. The event started with a Swap Meet at 8:00 am... lots of good stuff. The M2 facility was open for everyone to mingle over coffee and donuts and see all the equipment used in the production of M2 antennas. The M2 Open House was an ARRL sanctioned event.

Amateur Radio Manufacturers, Venders and Dealers in attendance: Yaesu, Janet Margelli KL7MF from Ham Radio Outlet, Jim N6DHz and Linda Shryne from the DX Store, Kurt Andress K7NV, Skip Bolnick KJ6Y of Communications Service Co., Dave Bottom W16R, from RadioSport Headsets, Gordon Yee KI6UH from QRZed Engraving and more!

ARRL representatives had a great display with all the books and pamphlets, encouraging those not already members to join the ARRL.

Three HAMS from the Southern California area represented Amateur Radio Expo – Margie Hoffman KG6TRB, Kris Jacob KC6TOD and George Jacob N6VNI. An HF Special Event station K6M was operated by George N6VNI. The display included Widget sets and a Morse code key for young people to try. Margie and Kris visited with all those interested or just curious as to what was going on in ham radio.

Several clubs in the Fresno area had tables with information for those interested in ham radio.

Mid-morning, a tour of the production facility was available for those who really wanted to know about all the different equipment used to produce M2 antennas.

At noon, a great BBQ of hamburgers and hotdogs with all the trimmings, salads, etc. at the price all HAMS love... FREE. The lunch was followed by a fantastic raffle with prizes donated by HRO, The DX Store, Radio Sport Headsets, QR Zed Engraving, K7NV and Yaesu as well as generous gift certificates from M2 ANTENNAS.

Everyone had a great time and are looking forward to next year's open house.



SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

Comments, Announcements, and Interesting Tidbits Submitted by Members

Birthdays

Here are the April birthdays! Many happy returns and may you have many more!

K6BBC	Tony	W6HTW	Hank	N6OX	Bob
N6AWD	Fred	WA3IHV	Rob	W6SW	Randy
WB6BFG	Bill	W6KH	Dick	W6TKV	Fred

Alpha Needs A Home (W6AQ)

FOR SALE: Alpha 87A. An old one but a good one. Used very little as I have been a QRPer for the past half-dozen years. Many hams, including me, consider the 87A to be the best amplifier ever made. I've decided to simplify my station. This amp has been treated well. I never ran it into the red. Pick up preferred. You may come try it out in Hollywood. Includes original manual, shipping boxes, spare fuses, etc. \$3,850.00 firm. Dave Bell, W6AQ@aol.com.

New Zealand Field Day (N6QQ)

John forwarded these photos from Wes from their Field Day in ZL land.



1940 State of the Art Telephone Technology Video (W6MPB)

State of the art telephone technology for 1940 was buried coaxial cable. Each cable pair could simultaneously carry 480 multiplexed telephone conversations. This Western Electric video shows how it was done - amazing technology at the time:

<http://tinyurl.com/1940Multiplexing>

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9A1A Croatia (N6QQ)

(Huge tower. Big Antennas. Hill Top. No wonder they are so loud! ... Ed)

What can icy rain do? - One day before the CQ WW CW 2011 Contest



SEANET 2012 Pictures (N6RV)

Champ, E21EIC, forwarded this story from the 2012 SEANET convention.

Dear All,

Pictures of SEANET Contest 2012 winner Trophy present by Rashid, 9M2RS (SEANET 2012 chairman) and all 3 winner trophy sponsor by my wife and I.

Single op SEANET winner is 9M2/JE1SCJ (JA1BRK received trophy)

Single op (REST of the word) winner is KH6QG

Multi op SEANET winner is HS0ZIA (HS0ZHG received trophy)

73, Champ, E21EIC



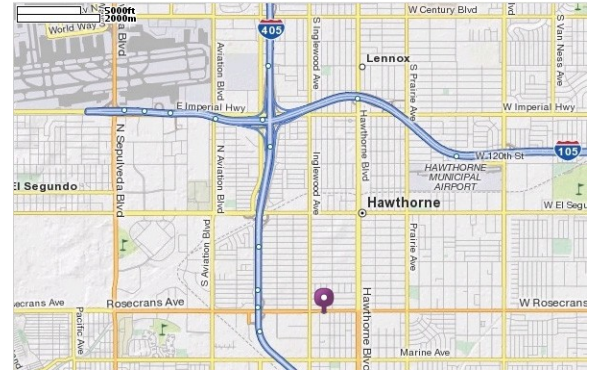
SCDXC Meeting Location

SCDXC Meets at WEMS Inc. on Rosecrans in Hawthorne. It is very close to the 405 Freeway however the entrance can be missed. The major landmark is the tower with the SteppIR antenna on top.

The driving directions to WEMS, Inc are as follows:

The address is: [4650 West Rosecrans Avenue, Hawthorne, CA. \(South side of street\)](#)

1. Coming South on the I-405 take the second Rosecrans (Rosecrans East) off ramp. At the bottom of the off ramp turn right and proceed to the next traffic light and turn right again on to Rosecrans Avenue. Go under the freeway and proceed East on Rosecrans past Inglewood Avenue. Go 1-1/2 blocks past Inglewood Avenue and make a right turn into the driveway between a one story building and a two story building with a tower and SteppIR antenna. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past. If you get to traffic light East of Inglewood avenue turn around and go back. Look for the antenna.
2. Coming North on the I-405 take the first Rosecrans off ramp (Rosecrans East) and turn right at the bottom of the off ramp onto Rosecrans Avenue. Go 1-1/2 blocks past Inglewood Avenue and make a right turn into the driveway between a one story building and a two story building with a tower and SteppIR antenna. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past. If you get to traffic light East of Inglewood avenue turn around and go back. Look for the antenna
3. Coming West on CA-91 merge on to I-110 South and then North onto the I-405. Once you are Northbound on the I-405 follow the directions in #2 above.
4. Coming West on the I-105 Exit the Hawthorne Blvd. off ramp. At the end of the very long off ramp turn left onto Hawthorne Blvd and proceed South to Rosecrans Avenue. Turn right on Rosecrans Avenue and proceed West. Just past the first traffic light after your turn onto Rosecrans move into the 2-way left turn lane and turn in the driveway between the two story building with tower/antenna and the one story building. As you drive down Rosecrans you should be able to see the tower on the two story building. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past.
5. If you live in the South Bay or Palos Verdes you are on your own.
6. If you would like to try Metro Light Rail, see Mel Hughes for information. WEMS is an easy walk from a Metro Green Line Station, or we can arrange a ride from the station to WEMS.



Pre-Club Meeting Dinner

Club members and visitors often meet before the meeting and enjoy a meal. Lately many of us have been going to #1 Buffet at 14418 Hawthorne Blvd, Lawndale, CA 90260, (310) 644-4007. The restaurant is just South and East of WEMS. Another group meets at the Denny's on the corner of Inglewood Avenue and Rosecrans Avenue. This is stones throw West of WEMS. For those interested in fine dining some of the best restaurants in the South Bay are located on Rosecrans just West between the 405 and Sepulveda (PCH). The Manhattan Beach area is a target rich food environment!



Meet the 2013 SCDXC Board



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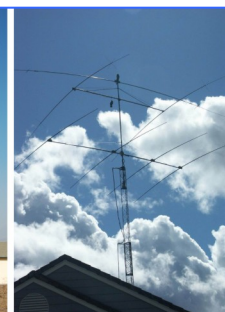
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